प्रपुंज (बल्क) औषधियों के उत्पादन में कमी

8382. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
श्री मूलचन्द मीणा :

क्या **रसायन और उर्वरक** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या गत तीन वर्षों से स्वदेशी औषध के निर्माण हेतु अपेक्षित महत्वपूर्ण प्रपुंज औषधियों के उत्पादन में कमी आ रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण है;

(ग) क्या हाल ही के कुछ महीनों के दौरान औषधियों तथा सूत्रयोगों (फार्मुलेशनों) के मूल्यों में वृद्धि हुई है, और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उनके मूल्यों में कमी लाने के लिए सरकार ने क्या उपाय किए है ?

रसायन एवं उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुआर्डो फेलोरियो) : (क) और (ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रपुंज औषध और सूत्रयोगों का उत्पादन निम्न प्रकार हुआ है :—

वर्ष	प्रपुंज औषध	सूत्रयोग
	(रु० करोड़ में)	
1992–93	1150.00	6000.00
1993–94	1320.00	6900.00
1994–95	1518.00	7935.00

देश विभिन्न चिकित्सीय वर्गों के लिए अच्छी गुणवत्ता की औषधों की जरूरतों को पूरा करने में लगभग आत्मनिर्भर है ।

(ग) और (घ) सामान्यतः दवाइयों की कीमतों में कोई सामान्य वृद्धि नहीं हुई है । पिछले वर्ष के दौरान प्वाइंट दर प्वाइंट के आधार पर औषधों और दवाइयों के थोक मूल्य सूचकांक में (1981–82=100) सभी वस्तुओं में 8.6 प्रतिशत की तुलना में केवल 4.2 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है ।

Ptable alcohol

8383. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state the estimated production, exports, import and consumption of potable alcohol during the last year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Exclusion of Gorakhpur and Haldia Units from Rehabilitation Programme

8384. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 534 given in the Rajya Sabha on 12th May, 1995 and state:

(a) the reasons for excluding Gorakhpur and Haldia units from the rehabilitation plan of HFC and FCI group of companies.

(b) the alternatives being explored to rehabilitate them; and

(c) the steps being taken in the rehabilitation plan to optimally utilise Fertilizer Promotion and Agricultural Research Division (EPARD) under HFC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCI) and

Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFC) stand declared as sick companies by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR). A unit-wise revival package for these companies has been prepared for submission to the BIFR, which inter-alia envisages revamp of their operating units. Since it was felt that revamp of Gorakhpur unit of FCI and Haldia project of HFC was not techno-economically feasible, and the revival of these units would require setting up of new plants involving fresh investments of the order of approximately Rs. 810 crores and Rs. 910 crores, respectively, the Government has proposed hiving off of these units to other entrepreneurs. However, any final decision regarding the future of Gorakhpur unit and Haldia project would depend upon the outcome of the proceedings pending before the BIFR, which is a quasi-judicial authority.

(c) The revival package proposes to offer Fertilizer Promotion and Agricultural Research Division (FPARD) of HFC to the concerned State Governments for being absorbed by them on agricultural extension work.

New public sector fertilizer units

8385. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state: (a) whether Government has any plans to infuse more funds to establish more public sector units in the fertilizer sector;

(b) if so, whether any study has been conducted on the need to strengthen the Indian fertilizer sector;

(c) whether Government will seek foreign collaboration for setting up new fertilizer plants; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Currently, the emphasis is on the public sector undertakings themselves generating funds for their expansion without any budgetary support, to the maximum extent possible. Ecepting expansion of Vijaipur (Madhya Pradesh) based plant of M|s. National Fertilizers Ltd. (costing Rs. 987.30 crores), Ammonia Replacement Project of M|s. FACT (costing Rs. 618.43 crores) at Cochin and modernisation|revamping projects, no new grass-roots fertilizer unit is currently under implementation in the public sector. M|s. National Fertilizers Ltd. are proposing expansion of their Panipat (Haryana) plant to produce additional 7.26 lakh tonnes of urea per annum at an estimated cost of Rs. 1000 crores.

(b) Demand-supply projections of fertilizers on long term basis have been worked out to indicate the scope for additional capacity build-up in the fertilizer sector.

(c) and (d) In so far as the fertilizer industry is concerned, the Industrial Policy of July, 1991 envisages automatic permission for foreign technology tie-ups and equity participation under certain conditions. However, presently there is no proposal for foreign equity participation in any public sector fertilizer project.

Upgradation of Jorhat Science College

8386. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government for the upgradation of the present Jorhat Science College in Assam;

(b) when was the original proposal received by Government from the State Government; and

(c) by when a decision is likely to be taken by Government on the proposal?